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Serial No.: 10/670,111
Filed: 09/24/03
For: Separating Foreign Objects From a Mass of Coins

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- (1) Transmittal Form; and
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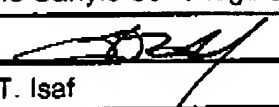
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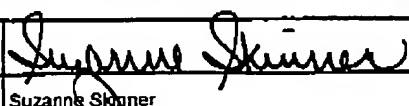
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	Filing Date	09/24/03	
	First Named Inventor	Hill	
	Art Unit	3653	
	Examiner Name	Beauchaine, Mark J.	
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Hill et al.) Examiner: Beauchaine, Mark J.
Serial No.: 10/670,111) Art Unit: 3653
Filed: September 24, 2003)
For: SEPARATING FOREIGN OBJECTS FROM A MASS OF COINS)

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In the Office Action mailed June 2, 2006, the Examiner is requiring restriction between the following species:

Species I: Figs. 3-8

Species II: Figs 9-13

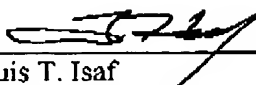
In response, Applicant hereby elects Species II (Figs. 9-13) for prosecution on the merits in the present application. All pending claims 1-16 read on the elected species.

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Respectfully submitted

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